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Mlinar et al.

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FIFTH SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Fifth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the documents listed below and on the attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the

Examiner and made of record. Copies of the listed documents required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2) are enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

The references now cited are the following:

No.	Date	Name	
5,858,515	1/1999	Stokes et al.	

## FOREIGN DOCUMENTS

DOCUMENT NUMBER Number-Kind Code (if known)	DATE	COUNTRY
EP 0 570 980	11/1993	Europe
WO 00 20208	4/2000	WIPO

Pursuant to the undersigned attorney's obligation and duties under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.98(a)(3) and (c), an English abstract for the European Patent No. EP0570980, which is not in English, is included for the express purpose of providing a concise explanation of the reference to the Patent and Trademark Office with the opportunity to evaluate the same.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(g),(h), this Fifth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made and is not to be construed to be an admission that the information cited is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b).

This Fifth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed prior to the receipt of the first Official Action reflecting an examination on the merits and hence is believed to be timely filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b). No fees are believed to be due in connection with filing of this Fifth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement, however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be deemed necessary for any reason relating to these material, the Commissioner is

hereby authorized to deduct said fees from Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lione Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this document is enclosed.

Applicant(s) respectfully request that the listed documents be made of record in the present case.

Respectfully submitted,

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Case No. 659/912 TRANSMITTAL LETTER Group Art Unit Examiner Filing Date Serial No To be assigned 1772 December 28, 2001 10/034,994 Inventor(s) Mlinar et al. Title of Invention METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR WEAKENING A PORTION OF A WEB TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Transmitted herewith is a Fifth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement; Form PTO-1449; cited references F1-F3 and return postcard. Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR1.27. Petition for a \_\_\_\_\_month extension of time. No additional fee is required. The fee has been calculated as shown below: Other Than **Small Entity** Small Entity or Highest No. Claims Add'l Add'1 Previously Present Remaining Fee Fee Rate Rate Paid For Extra After Amendment x \$18= x \$9= Minus Total x \$84= x 42= Minus Indep. +\$140= + \$280= First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim \$ Total \$ Total add'l fee add'I fee Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 (BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE) in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the filing fee is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. I hereby petition under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for any extension of time required to ensure that this paper is timely filed. M Please charge any associated fees which have not otherwise been paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. Respectfully submitted. Andrew D. Stovel Registration No. 38,629 Attorney for Applicant **BRINKS HOFER GILSON & LIONE** P.O. BOX 10395 CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60610 (312) 321-4200 g deposited with the United States Postal Service as dressed to: Commissioner for Patents

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